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SUBJ: INDONESIAN SECTOR SURVEY

1. FOLLOWING TELEX RECEIVED FROM MOBIUS RAISES SEVERAL QUESTIONS:
QUOTE, SCHEDULE PER TELECOM 7/24 KLINE, WHELAN, MOBIUS.
7/26-8/1 CHEM, CONST, METAL, TELECOM, FOOD COMPLETE REVISIONS. TRANS
AND BUSINESS DRAFTS WRITTEN AND SUBMITTED TO WASHINGTON AND JAKARTA
EMBASSY.
8/2-8/10 TRANSP, AGRO, MINING, COMPLETE REVISIONS IN HK. OVERVIEW
WRITING AND REVISIONS.
8/11-8/18 RETURN TO JAKARTA FOR RESEARCH, OVERVIEW DISCUSSION WITH
EMBASSY, AND SECTOR REVIEWS.
PLEASE TELL YARMY HE IS TO SUBMIT PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF TRANSP BY 7/30
AND RETURN TO HK WITH ALL RAW DATA AND HIS TYPEWRITER NO
LATER THAN 8/1. TELEX FLIGHT SCHEDULE TODAY. AGRO, MINING, AND TRANSP
TO BE REVISED IN HK.
PLEASE RUSH REMAINING REVIEWS AS COMPLETED. END QUOTE.

2. WE WERE EXPECTING MOBIUS TO RETURN TO JAKARTA THIS WEEK TO
WORK WITH YARMY IN FINISHING UP ALL OUTSTANDING AND DELAYED
SECTOR REPORTS, AND WE UNDERSTOOD MOBIUS TO REMAIN HERE UNTIL
WORK COMPLETED. WHILE SYMPATHETIC TO PROBLEMS WHICH THAT SCHEDULE
MAY HAVE CAUSED CONTRACTOR, WE QUESTION WHETHER CONTRACTOR CAN
ADEQUATELY COMPLETE PROJECT UNDER PROPOSED NEW ARRANGEMENT/
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SCHEDULE. FOR INSTANCE, WE ANTICIPATED THAT IN ORDER TO RESPOND

TO EMBASSY COMMENTS ON CHEMICAL AND CONSTRUCTION SECTOR DRAFTS, CONTRACTOR WOULD NEED CONDUCT ADDITIONAL FIELD WORK. IT NOW RPT. NOW APPEARS THIS NOT RPT. NOT TO BE DONE PRIOR SUBMISSION REVISIONS TO USDOC/EMBASSY. WE ARE AIRMAILING TO MOBIUS EMBASSY COMMENTS ON METALURGY AND VOMMUNICATIONS DRAFTS, WHICH WE HAD ANTICIPATED HANDING TO HIM HERE THIS WEEK. (IF MOBIUS HAS QUICKER DELIVERY SYSTEM THAN INTERNATIONAL AIRMAIL THAT WOULD SPEED FUTURE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN US AND HIM, PLEASE ADVISE.)

3. WHILE EMBASSY CANNOT SPEAK FOR YARMY, WHO IS CURRENTLY IN BANDUNG, WE FEEL HIS RATE OF PRODUCTION TO DATE INDICATES IT IS UNREALISTIC TO EXPECT HIM TO COMPLETE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR DRAFT THIS WEEK. IN FACT HE HAS NOT YET COMPLETED OIL/MINING SECTOR. POSSIBLY YARMY COULD COMPLETE RESEARCH ON TRANSPORTATION THIS WEEK AND BEGIN DRAFTING NEXT WEEK. WE WILL INFORM YARMY OF REQUEST FOR HIS FLIGHT SCHEDULE UPON HIS RETURN JAKARTA, EXPECTED TUESDAY.

4. TELEX UNCLEAR WHO WILL "RETURN TO JAKARTA" 8/11-18, KLINE MOBIUS, MORTON AND/OR YARMY? PLEASE ADVISE.

5. FINALLY, TELEX UNCLEAR AS TO WHEN EMBASSY WILL REVIEW TRANSPORT SECTOR, OTHER SECTOR REVISIONS AND OVERVIEW. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL, FOR EXAMPLE, IF MATERIAL TO BE REVIEWED PRECEDED RETURNEES SO THAT EMBASSY CAN HAVE COMMENTS READY UPON THEIR ARRIVAL.

6. ON RELATED MATTER, EMBASSY RECEIVED PHONE CALL JULY 24 FROM HUGHES AIRCRAFT DOMESTIC SATELLITE PROJECT MANAGER, FGED JUDGE, INQUIRING ABOUT TELEX HE RECEIVED FROM MOBIUS REQUESTING DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT HUGHES PARTICIPATION IN INDONESIAN SATELLITE SYSTEM AND PROJECT ITSELF. JUDGE INDICATED REQUEST WOULD ENTAIL EXCESSIVE MANPOWER UNDERTAKING, ESPECIALLY SINCE HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF MOBIUS OF USDOC SECTORAL SURVEY. ON EMBASSY ADVICE HE AGREED TO PROVIDE ONLY WHATEVER PUBLISHED INFORMATION READILY AVAILABLE. EMBASSY SURPRISED AT REQUEST IN VIEW EXTENSIVE DATA ALREADY INCLUDED COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR REPORT. INCIDENT ALSO PROVIDES EXAMPLE OF DIFFICULTY OF TRYING TO CONDUCT RESEARCH FROM OUTSIDE COUNTRY.

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